IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Norbert P. Kusters et al.	Examiner:	Neveen Abel Jalil
Serial No.:	10/684,900	Group Art Unit:	2165
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the communication mailed October 17, 2007, the period of response being extended from January 17, 2008 to February 17, 2008.

The amount of $120 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity is being paid via credit card.

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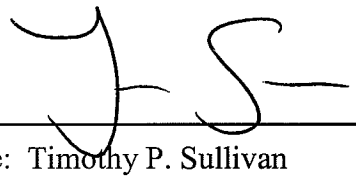
By: 

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